

REMARKS

Applicants have studied the Office Action dated 06/06/05, and have made amendments to the claims. Claims 38-40 are canceled. Claims 1, 5-7, 11-12, 18, 22-24, 28-29, and 33-36 have been amended. Claims 1-38 are thus pending by the virtue of this amendment. Claims 1, 18, 33 and 38 are independent claims.

No new matter has been entered. The amendments are made to correct certain claim language to put forth the application in better condition for allowance. It is submitted that claims 1-37, as amended, are in condition for allowance, per paragraphs 5 and 6 of the pending Office Action.

The rejection of claims 38-40 is now moot as they have been canceled.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above remarks, Applicant submits that claims 1-37 of the present application are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

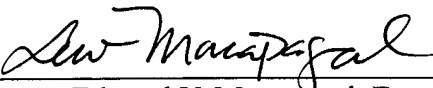
No amendment made was related to the statutory requirements of patentability unless expressly stated herein; and no amendment made was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim, unless Applicant has argued herein that such amendment was made to distinguish over a particular reference or combination of references.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California, telephone number (213) 623-2221 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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